Recognition of, and grant-in-aid to, Ayurveda Schools.

36. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether applications for recognition of, and grant-in-aid to Ayurveda schools are not granted at present (11-11-'05) on the ground that the Government have some proposals to revise the present rules as regards the same;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the period during which the proposals have been pending before them;

(*c*) the causes for not giving recognition and grant-in-aid to Ayurveda schools according to the existing rules; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the causes for not giving recognition to the Ayurveda School at Onattukara for which there was a requisition from the public?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes, since it is considered desirable to have a set of rules regarding recognition of, and grant-in-aid to, private Ayurveda Schools, instead of dealing with individual cases.

(*b*) Nearly one year. The draft rules called for from the Inspector in charge, Ayurveda Department, have not been received.

(*c*) The member is referred to the answer to part (*a*).

(*d*) This question does not arise.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know why the Government did not sanction these applications?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Which part of the answer does the member refer to?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): I refer to the answer to part (*a*) of the question. With reference to part (*a*), may I know the reasons for the Government not giving recognition or grant-in-aid to schools under the existing rules.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The existing rules apply only to particular schools which are receiving grant-in-aid now. The rules are not of such a general character as to be applicable to all the schools.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know how these existing schools came into existence?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Grant was allowed to particular schools, under certain conditions at the time. Since then a number of applications have been coming in and Government have considered that a set of general rules is necessary to deal with these applications so that they may be applicable to all.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether grants could not be given in the case of these applications also, as was done before?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There is nothing to prevent Government from doing that. But Government thought that the better course would be to have a set of rules to deal with them.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know why this question was pending before the Government for over a year?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is given in part (*b*). The answer is:

"*The draft rules called for from the Inspector in charge of Ayurveda Department have not been received.*"

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether there is any special reason why this question has been pending for over a year?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not know. Probably, the Inspector is consulting similar rules obtaining elsewhere. But reminders are being issued from the Secretariat.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Government have called for an explanation from the Inspector for the inordinate delay?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Not yet.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Government think that this delay is inevitable?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They do not think so. On the other hand, they are reminding him. But no explanation has been called for from him for the delay.

Establishment of more grant-in-aid vaidyasalas.

37. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a proposal for establishing ten more grant-in-aid *vaidyasalas* was placed before, and approved by the Standing Finance Committee before the Budget Estimate for 1105 M. E. was prepared;

(*b*) if so, whether provision is made in the current year's (1105) Budget for the opening of ten more grant-in-aid *vaidyasalas*;

(*c*) if not, why provision is not made in the current year's Budget for opening ten more grant-in-aid *vaidyasalas*;

(*d*) whether the Director of Ayurveda has recommended the opening of any grant-in-aid *vaidyasalas* during 1105, and, if so, how many and at what places; and

(*e*) whether any grant-in-aid *vaidyasalas* were opened during 1105 M. E., and, if so, how many and at what places?

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